



AGENDA

28th March 2011	
9.00 – 9.30	Participants Registration
9.30 – 11.00	<p>Official opening of the GCCA Caribbean Regional Conference Welcome by H.E. Ms. Joy Grant, Ambassador of Belize to the EU With the interventions of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CEO of Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Belize; • Mr. Percival Marie, Executive Director of CARIFORUM /CARICOM; • Mr Philip Mikos, Head of Sustainable Management of Natural Resources Unit at the European Commission, DG of Development and Cooperation; • Hon. Gaspar Vega, Deputy Prime Minister of Belize and Minister of Natural Resources and Environment
11.00 – 11.30	Coffee/Tea break
11.30 – 13.00	<p>Draft Implementation Plan of the Caribbean Regional Strategy on Climate Change Chaired by Mrs Ann Gordon, UNFCCC Focal Point of Belize and presented by Dr. Kenrick Leslie, Executive Director, Caribbean Community Climate Change Centre (5Cs)</p> <p>Reactions and views from CARICOM states</p>
13.00 – 14.00	Lunch break
14.00 – 16.00	Further reactions from countries and other participants on the Draft Implementation Plan of the Caribbean regional strategy on climate change chaired by Dr. Kenrick Leslie (5Cs)
16.00 – 16.30	Coffee/Tea break
16.30 – 18.30	<p>From Cancun to Durban: Next steps on international climate negotiations Review of the current status of climate change negotiations and anticipation of steps required to achieve a post- 2012 climate regime.</p> <p>Chaired by: Mr Andrew Bishop, UNFCCC Lead Negotiator for Guyana Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Walter Kennes Head of Environment and Natural Resources Sector at the European Commission DG of Development and Cooperation • Mr. Percival Marie, Executive Director of CARICOM/CARIFORUM • Interventions of Cuba and Dominican Republic <p>Questions and answers</p>
19.30	Reception for participants hosted by Government of Belize at the Chateau Caribbean Hotel, Marine Parade, Belize City (Next Door to Radisson Property).

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9.00 – 10.30	<p>Parallel sessions on capacity building needs in the Caribbean with a view to make recommendations</p> <p>Introduction by Mr Walter Kennes, European Commission</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Group 1: <u>Adaptation and climate resilient/compatible development (inclusive of tourism)</u>. Chaired by Dr Leonard Nurse, Chairman of the board of 5Cs, Lead author of IPCC for Small Island Developing States and senior lecturer at UWI, Cave Hill Campus (Barbados) • Group 2: <u>Low emission development strategies, including REDD+ and links between climate and agriculture, energy</u>. Chaired by Mr Wilbur Sabido, Chief Forestry Officer of Belize. <p>Presentation of the conclusions in the plenary.</p>
10.30 – 11.00	Coffee/Tea Break
11.00 – 12.30	<p>Chaired by Dr. Leonard Nurse, chairman of the Board of 5Cs</p> <p>Priorities for Disaster Risk Reduction and linkage to climate adaptation in the Caribbean Region by Ms Saudia Rahat, Senior Programme Office Caribbean Disaster Emergency Management Agency.</p> <p>Follow-up to the 2008 Joint Caribbean EU Declaration on Climate Change : Implementation experience of the GCCA in the Caribbean region</p> <p>Some introductory remarks by Mr. Walter Kennes Head of Environment and Natural Resources Sector at the European Commission DGI of Development and Cooperation</p> <p>Brief presentations by representatives of Belize (Ms Ann Gordon), Guyana (Mr Anette Arjoon), Jamaica (Dr Richard Pagett), 5Cs (Dr Mark Bynoe)</p>
12.30 – 14.00	Lunch break
14.00 – 14.30	<p>Presentation of other climate related initiatives in the spirit of applying aid effectiveness principles: DFID (Ms Simone Banister), and Pilot Programme for Climate Resilience (Ms Patricia Mendoza), UNDP (Mr Stein Hansen)</p> <p>Chaired by Mrs. Sonya Bagwhan Logie, Permanent Secretary of Grenada</p>
14.30 – 16.00	<p>Panel discussion on funding mechanisms for climate change action</p> <p>Exchange of views on existing climate change financing mechanisms, opportunities and difficulties to fund actions tackling climate change.</p> <p>Moderated by Dr. Kenrick Leslie (5Cs) with representatives from countries, regional institutions and civil society as panellists (Mr Philip Mikos, Head of Unit Sustainable Management of Natural Resources, Mr Keith Nichols, Head of the Environment and Sustainable Development Unit, OECS, Mr Joseph McGann, Implementation Plan Coordinator, 5Cs, Ms Joyce Thomas, UNFCCC Negotiator, Grenada, Mr Ronald Toussaint Technical Counsellor, Climate Change Programmes/Focal Point, Haiti</p>
16.00 – 16.30	Coffee/Tea break
16.30 – 18.00	<p>Conclusions of the Conference and Next Steps:</p> <p>By the Team Leader of the GCCA Support Facility, a representative of the EU Office to Belize and a representative of the 5Cs</p>
18.00 – 18.30	<p>Closing Ceremony chaired by Ms. Joy Grant, Ambassador of Belize to EU.</p> <p>Interventions of CEO Ministry of Economic Development of Belize, Dr. Kenrick Leslie (5Cs) Mr Cosimo Lamberti, Programme Manager, EU Office to Belize and Mr Philip Mikos (European Commission).</p>
12 noon	30 March Press Conference